

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the number of PCLs purchased by the Government Departments and have found inferior in quality and the sources of such PCLs purchases;

(d) the steps taken to get the defective sets of PCLs replaced or refund of money from the source of purchase; and

(e) the number of these PCLs sold by the Kendriya Bhandar to Government Department ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) to (e) Yes, Sir. The news item essentially relates to grievances of a private firm arising out of purchase of PCL computers. The Department of Electronics does not procure computers for Government Ministries/Departments or for any other agency.

As per the information made available by the Kendriya Bhandar, during the current financial year, they have sold fourteen (14) Personal Computers (PCs) to various Government Departments, out of which no complaint regarding inferior quality or defective machine has been received by them.

#### Construction of Haj Houses

3779. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Uttar Pradesh proposes to build Haj House in Lucknow;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the expenditure proposed to be incurred on it;

(c) whether other State Governments already have such houses;

(d) whether the Union Government propose to issue any directive to all the State Governments to build Haj Houses in the Capital of each State for facilitating Haj Pilgrims; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the assistance to be provided by Union Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS. (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) Government is not aware of any proposal from Government of Uttar Pradesh to build Haj House in Lucknow.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Haj House has recently been built in West Bengal by the West Bengal State Haj Committee. Gujarat and Jammu & Kashmir State Haj Committees propose to build Haj Houses in their respective States.

(d) No, sir.

(e) Does not arise.

#### Vacant Properties.

3780. SHRI JANG BAHADUR SINGH PATEL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of shops/office complexes/restaurants etc., constructed by DDA are lying vacant, as on date and the number out of these in DDA built markets in Vishakhha Enclave and Maurya Enclave areas of Pitampura, Delhi;

(b) when these shops/complexes/restaurants etc. were built by DDA and the reasons for these properties to have remained vacant; and

(c) the steps taken to put these properties to proper use ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) The DDA has reported that as on 28.2.97, 3389 shops/office complexes/restaurants, etc. constructed by it were lying vacant/unallotted. Out of these, 185 shops/office complexes/restaurants are located in Vishakhha Enclave, Maurya Enclave and Pitampura.

(b) These complexes were constructed from the year 1985 upto December, 1996. The reasons due to which these properties have remained vacant/unsold are:-

(i) Recession in the money market;

(ii) Non-release of electric connection by DESU in some markets; and

(iii) Misuse of the residential premises surrounding the shopping complexes for commercial purposes.

(c) (i) Requests from Government Departments/ Public Sector Undertakings like banks, post offices, MTNL, etc. are considered as and when received.

(ii) Vacant/unallotted properties are being put to auction from time to time.

[Translation]

#### District Under Employment Assurance Scheme

3781. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY : Will the

Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of districts in Madhya Pradesh where Employment Assurance Scheme is in operation;

(b) the number of districts which are likely to be included in this scheme during 1997-98; and

(c) the amount of grant provided for this purpose during 1996-97 ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) The Employment Assurance Scheme is in operation of the following districts of Madhya Pradesh :-

Balaghat, Baster (Jagdalpur), Betul, Bhind Bilaspur, Chhatarpur, Chhindwara, Damoh, Dewas, Dhar, Durg, Guna, Hoshangabad, Indore, Jabalpur, Jhabua, Khandwa, Khargaon, Mandla, Mandsaur, Narsimpur, Panna, Rajgarh, Raipur, Raisen, Rajgarh, Rajnandgaon, Ratlam, Rewa, Sagar, Sarguja, Satana, Sehore, Seoni, Shahdol, Shajapur, Shivpuri, Sidhi, Tikamgarh, Ujjain and Vidisha.

(b) All the remaining blocks and districts of Madhya Pradesh will be included in this scheme during 1997-98.

(c) Funds amounting to Rs. 18804.90 lakhs have been released for this purpose till date during 1996-97.

[English]

#### Audit of Rural Employment Fund

3782. SHRI JAYANTA BHATTACHARYA : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the directions issued by the Union Government to the different State Governments regarding the Audit of Rural Development Funds in Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads;

(b) whether the Government of West Bengal have audited the accounts in the different Zila Parishads and Panchayat Samitis for the last 19 years in West Bengal;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads have completed Audit upto December, 1996 ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### Diversion of Petrol

3783. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large quantity of Petroleum products bound for Mahe (Pondicherry State) are being diverted to some petrol/diesel tanks in Calicut and Canannore districts of Kerala;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether any culprits had been apprehended by the authorities in the past; and

(d) if so, the punishment given to these culprits under the law ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T. R. BAALU): (a) No, Sir. No diversion of petroleum products bound for Mahe, to Kerala has been reported.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

#### Dutch Aided Schemes for Drinking Water and Sanitation

3784. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Dutch aided schemes under consideration for drinking water and sanitation in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) the time by which these schemes are likely to be accorded approval ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) A project costing Rs. 2192 lakh is under consideration of the Dutch Government to provide Rural Water Supply in problem villages of Varanasi, Rae Bareilly and Allahabad districts.

(b) No time frame has been indicated by the Dutch Government to accord approval of the schemes.

#### Petroleum Refinery

3785. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Indian Energy Corporation Limited (Encon) has come forward to set up 100 per cent Export-Oriented Petroleum Refinery Project in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether it has also plans to set up a 650 MW power plant as a part of the project;

(c) if so, whether any final decision has been taken in this regard; and

(d) if so, the installed capacity to refine crude oil?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF